

of renovation re-modelling in the state.

LPG connections in Haldwani, Bajpur, Ranikhet and Ramnagar

2419. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of LPG connections with each agency in Haldwani, Bajpur, Ranikhet and Ramnagar in Uttar Pradesh, alongwith the number of persons on the waiting list as on the 30th June, 2000;

(b) by when the wait-listed persons in those are likely to be provided LPG connections; and

(c) the other places in hill districts of Kumaun Region in U.P., where LPG facilities are available and by when the remaining areas are likely to be provided with such facilities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) The details of LPG connections in Haldwani, Bajpur, Ranikhet and Ramnagar in Uttar Pradesh are given in the statement. (See below)

(b) Government have a plan to release 1 crore LPG (domestic) connections during the year 2000 to clear the waiting list registered with the LPG distributors of Public Sector Oil Companies as on 1.12.1999.

(c) At present Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOC) have LPG distributorships at Almora, Bagheswar, Champawat, Nainital, Pitthoragarh and Udham Singh Nagar, while Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPC) have LPG distributorships at Rudrapur and Haldwani in Kumaun region in Uttar Pradesh. New LPG distributorships are taken up under marketing plan in case, they are found viable.

STATEMENT

Location	Distributor's Name	LPG Customers as on 30.6.2000	LPG waitlist as on 30.6.2000
Haldwani	M/s. Haldwani Gas	24257	0
-do-	M/s. ASC Haldwani	401	0
-do-	M/s. Bora Gas Enterprises	8671	661
Bajpur	M/s. Bajpur Gas	11533	0
Ramnagar	M/s. Ramnagar Gas	12575	0
Ranikhet	M/s. Ranikhet Gas	19336	0
-do-	M/s. ASC Ranikhet	1801	0

Outlay of IOC For Welfare Activities

2420. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the total outlays of IOC in each of the last five years for welfare activities and breakup for community welfare as well as staff welfare in general and specific to establishments, State-wise; and

(b) the details of the findings of gas tanker blast tragedy at Khanapara, Guwahati alongwith accountability fixed and the action taken and compensation paid to the victims of the tragedy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) The year-wise expenditure incurred by the Indian